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### **ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN BAXTER COUNTY**

**LITTLE ROCK (4-13)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Baxter County, according to Commissioner Dick Trammel of Rogers and Baxter County Judge Joe Bodenhamer.

The purpose of the project is to resurface a total of 12.3 miles of various county roads. Atlas Asphalt, Inc. of Jonesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$273,815.20.

“This project will improve County Road 57 near Shady Grove, County Road 59 near Buford, County Road 62 near Arkana and County Road 64 near Jordan,” stated Judge Bodenhamer.

Trammel noted that the County Road project is funded through the State Aid Road Program established by the legislature and administered by the State Aid Division of the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department. This program provides approximately \$20 million annually from the state motor fuels tax to assist counties with projects of their choosing on the county road system.

Trammel said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late summer of 2010.

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